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The Examiner notes that due to the cancellation of claim 2, the rejections in Paragraphs 5 and 9 of the Office Action mailed May 26, 2006 (i.e. the final rejection pre-ceeding the appeal) have been withdrawn. Since these rejections have been withdrawn, the Appeal Brief filed 12/13/07 and the Examiner's answer filed 2/11/08 are consistent with the pending grounds of rejection. The case will now be forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for consideration.

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